STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS CORRECTIONS SERVICES

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Administrative Personnel Violence-Free Workplace

- **1. AUTHORITY:** Secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, as contained in Chapter 9 of Title 36.
- 2. REFERENCES: Department Regulation No. A-02-001 "Employee Manual," A-02-014 "Employee Assistance Program," A-01-004 "Project Zero Tolerance," A-02-024 "Critical Incident Stress Debriefing," C-05-001 "Activity Reports/UOR," C-05-003 "Headquarters Audit Adult and Juvenile Institutions," and Executive Order No. MJF 97-15.
- **PURPOSE:** To constitute the Department's Violence-Free Workplace Model Plan as a regulation.
- **4. APPLICABILITY:** All employees of Corrections Services. The Deputy Secretary, Undersecretary, Assistant Secretaries and Unit Heads are responsible for implementation and monitoring of this plan.
- **5. POLICY:** It is the Secretary's policy to achieve and maintain a workplace free of violence and to provide a model plan through which employees shall be trained.

6. PROCEDURES:

- A. The Department's Violence-Free Workplace Model Plan is designed to:
 - * provide practical information on the prevention of workplace violence and on the mitigation of its ill effects;
 - * prohibit acts or threats of violence, by or against state officers and employees, at all work sites and whenever official state business is being conducted;
 - * minimize the chance of exposure of state officers and employees to violent, threatening, or harassing situations by implementing effective security and administrative procedures and practices;

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- * analyze each state work site from the perspective of preventing the occurrence and minimizing the effects of any violent, threatening, and harassing situation; and
- * educate state officers and employees to increase their awareness of security, health, and safety concerns and train them how to properly respond in the event a violent, threatening, or harassing situation occurs.
- B. Initial training of unit trainers concerning the Department's Violence-Free Workplace Model Plan will be conducted by Headquarters Training.
- C. The Violence-Free Workplace Model Plan shall be incorporated into each unit's orientation and in-service training plans and all employees shall be instructed on its contents.

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